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Reply to Office action of Sept. 19, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the prior Office Action mailed September 19, 2006, claims 1-130 were pending, with:

Claims 1-21 and 55-59 allowed,

Claims 22-54 and 60-130 rejected, and

Claim 21 objected to. (Applicant notes that it appears that claim 22, not claim 21 should have been indicated as being objected to, as discussed below.)

Applicant is canceling the rejecting claims, and will pursue the rejected claims in a continuation application filed concurrently with this amendment. In addition, Applicant has amended claim 55 to correct a punctuation error. Thus, Applicant submits that by this amendment, that all claims are in a state of allowance, and respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims be granted.

DISCUSSION OF AMENDMENTS

In an attempt to obtain allowance of all claims and bring prosecution of the application to a close, Applicant has canceled claims 22-54 and claims 60-130, which were rejected in the Final Office Action

Thus, claims 1-21 and 55-59 remain pending, and all claims are in an allowed condition. Applicant has amended claim 55 to remove a semicolon that inadvertently remained in the claim via the prior amendment.

Applicant has not amended claim 21, which was objected to. The Office Action indicated that claim 21 recited the limitation of "a first interface" in line 2 and again in line 3. Applicant submits the objection should have referred to claim 22, as claim 21 does not recite "a first interface." If the above amendments do not place the claims in a condition of allowance, or if any Examiner's Amendments are suggested, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (404) 881-4748.

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SUMMARY/CONCLUSION

Applicant has amended the application so that all claims are in a condition of allowance and respectfully requests the examiner to enter the amendments and issue a Notice of Allowance.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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